

PRESIDER

Let us come together in a spirit of unity and respect, bringing our prayers and worries before God, seeking healing justice and love for all people.

READER

We pray for Pope Francis and all church leaders, that they will bear faithful witness to God's saving grace, both in season and out of season. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for all peoples, both First Nations people and non Indigenous people, that we will all learn to walk together and serve and respect each other. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for all who are homeless this winter, that with the active help of individuals, communities and agencies they will find the shelter and support they need. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for all who are serving sentences in Australian gaols, especially young indigenous people, that their time in prison will help and not hinder their readiness for life in the community. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for our parish community, that the word and sacrament of this Eucharist will strengthen us in faith and the following of Jesus. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

We pray for those who have died recently . . . and for those whose anniversary of death occurs around this time, that by the grace of God they will rise from mortality to the glory of immortality. (Pause) Let us pray to the Lord.

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God of boundless mercy, your Son lived among us in a human family that we might all become his sisters and brothers in spirit. Help us hear and heed his word. We ask this through Christ, our Lord.